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THE ELECTION ON THE 16TH.

We cannot too earnestly impress upon the attention of the voters of Memphis the necossity for the election of intelligent men for the places in the general council soon to be vacated. Many, if not all, of the evils that afflict and retard the well-being of Memphis are the result of ignorance in our city legislators and the indifference of our propertyowners and business men to city affairs. Our men of influence and position have, with few exceptions, shumed the caucus and the convention, and too often have turned their backs upon the ballot-bex. The result has been that the affairs of the city have been largely intrusted to men wholly incapacitated for anything like an intelligent and thorough consideration of questions more vital to our growth and prosperity than any that conthe bondholders. With an assuring congress or the State legislature are ever called acrousness of the purity of his motives and upon to discuss. The management of the business of Memphis should be intrusted to men only of the highest capacity. No merthe omnipotence of truth and the certainty of chant ever thinks of employing any other than intelligent experts in the conduct of his business; the affairs of the city are but an the retiring governor the warm greetings of unit of all the interests of its inhabitants, and for that reason should be committed to no others for direction and control. Now, more than ever, Memphis needs the services of her best men. The city debt, it the charter is not to be repealed, must be put in such a shape as that it will cease to be a borden and a mountain in the way of municipal progress. The streets, too, are to be paved, and we must have a system of sewerage. All this should be done, as it can be, without the taint of jobbery, and so cheaply as to encourage the people to accomplish of the people he so long served with honesty other needed improvements and to maintain a sanitary-system so thorough as to make justice and fidelity. His purity of character ours one of the model cities of the Union. and spotless integrity constitute him an ex-We say all this can be done if only men of ample worthy of imitation by those who intelligence and of high integrity are elected would attain the esteem of the public, and, to the general council, with which rests not only the legislation but the enforcement, in au independent, fearless spirit, of all the ordinances now, or that may hereafter be enacted for the preservation of the public health, the maintenance of its good faith. and the making of streets and highways that its citizens can point to with pride. On Thursday, the sixteenth instant, an election for aldermen and councilmen will be held,

at which an opportunity will be afforded our

citizens of proving the depth and earnest-

ness of their interest in the future of the

city. They can then, if they will, elect men

who will be truly representatives, not only of

the thrift and integrity but the intelligence and patriotism of Memphis, A NECESSARY AUXILIARY TO RESPRIS TRADE. Many years ago shrewd men found that Memphia was a spot enjoying many advantages for commerce. Time proved the accuracy of their foresight; the place flourished | our houses from fire and pillige. But for the and attracted enterprising individuals from heroism of the brave firemen and courageous the whole surrounding country to cast their policemen, the refugees would have returned fortunes with the young and thriving city. to find their houses robbed of their treasures The attraction was the advantages the city or destroyed by the torch of the incendiary. offered to persons engaged in commerce. There are two ways of attempting to make advantages of this kind available. One is by burglar and the incend ary. Many of them considering those advantages as analogous to | fell at their posts, and upon their graves we the gas in a balloon-you seat yourself in the | can read no coward's epitaph. Those who | States, bas adopted the semi-burbarion sys car, and you rise toward the sky as a matter were sick and recovered after great expense of course. Those who entertained this opin- incurred in protecting the property of the ion, and Memphis has had too many of the refugee should be allowed the poor pittance class, opened their stores, then "made a of one month's extra pay. Such ingratitude grab" ifor every picayone that could be is unworthy of the people of Memphis, and wrung out of their business. They would not | they should not permit it longer to blacken contribute a dollar nor a day to any public their names. Gold watches, costly canes, en'erprise; they would not allow themselves silver services and banquets have been lavishto be elected to a seat in the city council; they | ly bestowed upon others; but, those equally would go to no public meetings; they paid taxes | deserving, those who guarded and protected with reluctance and sometimes only under our vacated homes when death was snuffed compulsion. They wanted to take all the in the tainted air, have received no recogniadvantages the position of Memphia gave it, tion for their fidelity-not even thanked by to "grab" the coveted picayune over their the ingrates whose homes they preserved at counter; farther than that they cared nothing the risk of life. If left to the vote of the for Memphis and were supremely indifferent people of Memphis, careless, unappreciative to its ultimate prosperity. The other way of an a undemonstrative as they have been, they dealing with such advantages as Memphis would unanimously vote one month's extra has had, was to consider them as semething pay to the firemen and police, and there to cultivate, to extend, to use for the ulterior | should be no longer any hesitation in perpurpose of prefitting by. Those who thus re- forming a simple act of right and justice. garded the matter know that it is a great advantage to an estate to have a coal mineupon SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COTit, but they also know that it is by working the mine, not merely sitting upon it, or even keeping store upon it, that renders the ad- directors of the cotton exchange met yestervantage available. Want of attention to the day, when Sam M. Gates, Esq., was re-electuse and preservation of the advantages Mem- | ed secretary and superintendent of the cotton phis presented when it first became prosper- exchange. Mr. Gates was formerly the chief ous, is the error we have to deplore to-day. of the greatest mercantile establishment in Let the lesson of the past be the light of the Memphis, the well known firm of Gates, future, and let us all be resolved that the ad- | Woods & Co. Nothing has called more atvantages we now hold in our hands shall be tention to the Memphis cotton exchange made the most of, and become the property of | abroad than the monthly reports it has made no greedy, envious tradesmen or corporations of the condition of the crops. For comprefor caution at this time in this respect, and satisfactory statement, they have been exthis is the reason why we refer to the past for | ceeded nowhere, and were equalled rarely. warning as to the future. We must not be The labor expended upon them was vast, and content with merely looking to the presperity | the ingenuity and skill displayed in the clasof our own store and business alone, we must suffication and summarizing excited admirahelp to promote and preserve the general tion everywhere. This great work was done welfare and prosperity of the city also. The by Mr. Gates, as the chairman of the comsubject requiring attention at this time is mittee having the work in hand. From the that of freight charges upon merchandise, especially upon the river. For Memphis to Gates to his present position may be judged. pay a boat as much for bringing a barrel of As his assistant, our young friend Henry flour from St. Louis as is paid at Vicksburg is unjust; to pay as much as is paid at New | and most admirably fills the position, being Orleans is extortion; to pay more than either untiring in his attention to his duties, always covery of the money, as the thieves got away. Memphis has had to submit to the injustice, the extortion, and the robbery. There are at this time modes of managing freight charges in existence that are working injury to the commerce of Memphis, and that must be commerce of Memphis, and that must be has received the approval of State efficials has received the approval of State efficials of all exacts. Asking for an appointment as minister to Washington, in a popular to the cortes and held a high no place does there appear anything like the extention of the unitation of the unitation of the new minister from Spain to the days. He sailed from Spain for Havana about two weeks ago, and will come to Washington, has received the approval of State efficials that contains a soon as they lit on the righting. Twelve the serious and sooned two weeks ago, and will come to Washington, has received the approval of State efficials that must be has received the approval of State efficials that must be has received the approval of State efficials to the cortes and held a high no place does there appear anything like the arrival of the vessel here." of those places is robbery. Yet, in turns, firth of August last, and a resolution was to indemnify them for the destruction by five he is an Allonsist. Senor Vigo has a wife adopted for the merchants of the city to emof their convent and academy, in Columbia, and nine children, but his family will not earnestness on the part of the actors which ploy a general agent, who should proceed to by the Federal troops, in February, 1865. Join him here for several months. St. Louis city, and there employ himself in | "This step," says the Charleston News and making arrangements with boats descending | Courier, "has been taken upon the advice of the Mississippt river, to take with them merchandise for Memphis at a fair charge, in proportion to what was charged to Cairo, Vicksburg and New Orleans. Having at company and the proportion of the state upon the advice of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression the place at Gotha, on the tenth ultimother than the product of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression the place at Gotha, on the tenth ultimother than the product of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression the place at Gotha, on the tenth ultimother than the product of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression in the possible of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression the place at Gotha, on the tenth ultimother than the product of the impression that at the cremation of the state of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, of the impression the place at Gotha, or the impression the product of the impression the product of the impression that the probable states of the Chinausen resident in the constant of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, that the product of the impression the place of the impression the place at Gotha, or the impression the product of the impression the place of the impression the product of the impression the product of the impression the product of the impression the place of the impression the product of the impression the pass the canals of the product of the body of a manufacturer named Stier, and the product of the impression the product of the impression the product of the impression the pass the classes of the Chinausen resident in the constant of the impression the product of the

Memphis. The river will open as the spring | the comptroller attributes to the pressure of dvances, and our business men should be the times, every just demand has been eady, by the time comes to resume naviga- promptly met; that one-ha'f of the treasury ion, to send their agent to St. Louis, and to relief loan is available for future uses, as ecure fair and just freight rates for Memphis exigencies may require, and that the State's -not by appealing where no sympathy with | bonds and certificates of stock stand among heir interests exist, but by themselves pro- the highest in the market. This fact is evividing a sure and unobjectionable remedy. denced by the sale of two hundred and fifty With such an agent attending to Memphis's | thousand dollars of the bonds of the treasury nterests in a quarter where they need guard- relief loan, act of 1878, yielding a premium ing; with a union depot and a connection of of twelve thousand five bundred dollars, or railroads that will place her where she ought | five per cent. above par. What a contrast is to have been years ago-on the direct line of this with the financial condition of Tennesrailway traffic from north to south-also with | see! the grand elevator at the river that would be an adjunct of the depot, Memphis would stand proudly forth, queen of the situation, and the cents per line per week.

We also etc. are ten cents per line erst insertion, and the cents per line sers subsequent insertion.

Dath and Marriage notices, Funeral notices and interaction accounts the property and to go unfettered on her career to ward the grantes are charged at regular rates. the grand elevator at the river that would be

the rectitude of his purposes, he had the

philosophy to bide his time, and to rely upon

heir gratitude and friendship, and their de-

termination to place him prominent among

POLICE AND FIREMEN.

the services of two mayors and then chaffers

at the small compensation which is due the

men who breasted the storm of death to save

The firemen and the police took their stand

between our vacated residences and the

labor so performed the adaptation of Mr.

Hotter was re-elected. He well deserves

courteous and obliging, and on his way to a

WHAT a commentary on Radical legislation is contained in the statement which we find in the Washington Capital which announces that, according to the attorney-genward the greatness her position places within | eral's own report, twelve thousand five hundred people were employed in 1876 as deputy-marshals, and such, in the business of carrying the election for the Republi-GOVERNOR JAMES D. POBTER. The recent message of the chief executive cans. In South Carolina there were of our State is much admired on account of nearly four bundred on duty, at seventeen precincts; in Louisiana, seventeen hundred, its sensible views and that straightforward or one hundred and twenty precincts; in honesty which has ever been the star to guide Virginia, two hundred and five, for thirtyand direct the footsteps of Governor Porter. His official term as governor of the State of five precincts; in Dalaware, one hundred and thirty-five, for be precents; in Maryland, Tennessee is about to close, a successor having been duly elected by the people. In looktwelve hundred and lengty-two, for one huning over the services of this most faithful dred and fifteen protects-and so on, the public officer, the record will be found to be southern States having required the most highly bonorable and a chronicle of untiring, looking after. zealous and constant fidelity to duty. No man was ever more faithful, conscientious and upright in the discharge of duty, and we are rejoiced to see that the people of Tennessee united in exclaiming, "well done, good and faithful servant." The administration of Governor Porter has been one of peculiar

THE APPEAL follows the plan proposed y Major Sykes of louing bonds of small omination in settlement of the State debt. It has been tried in Georgia, and with the utmost satisfaction. There the minimum bonds are of the value of five dellars, with mbarrassments. Since his inauguration he supone hearing a low rate of interest atuas been beset by difficulties of the gravest ached. People use them in payment of character. The hard times commenced with lebts due the State and private individuals, his administration, and without resources he and they thus constitute a circulating mewas forced to encounter clamorous creditors ium, whose value does not depreciate. If and the appeals of a tax-ridden people. He ie same plan is carried out in this State i has proudly borne himself through trials to could very likely prove beneficial to al which no governor of Tennessee was ever classes of our citizens. The people, in any sefore subjected. With an imperturbable selfevent, should own and control their own ossession and an inflexible honesty he has abored to be just to himself, the people and

STATISTICS show that out of four thousand our hundred deaths in Cincinnati last year, two thousand three hundred of them died in tenement houses-showing that the mortal ity in Cincinnati tenement houses is about public justice, and he did not have long to fifteen times greater than in residences. wait, for the people of Tennessee sends to There is room for reform there certainly.

THE Glasgow Presbytery has given its consent to the running of street cars on Sunday.

his predecessors, whose industry, honesty, There's progress for you. sbility and genius have reflected lustre upon the commonwealth. Governor Porter has An Important Opinion encountered some opposition during his four years administration, but all now admit that it has been wise, considering the unparalleled embarrassments which he had to confront. and he retires to the tranquillity of private life unassailed, by even the whispered accents of decraction, and with the affections declining years by the plaudits of a people's generations of men devoted to that practice, he total abstainers in their number balancgratitude and the incense of a people's love. It is a homiliating spectacle to see the higgling over the proposition to pay the police and fire departments one month's extra pay for their services during the epidemic. The banks of the city bave donated two months extra pay to the employes who stood at their posts. Nearly every business house in Memphia has given extra compensation to ines, with constantly accumulating and con-ergent force? And to demand the repeal the employes who remained and took care of the stores and property of their employers, a custom which is certainly pleasant, and the niggardly parsimony with which the obably useful, on the ground that intoxicapolice and fire departments have been reion is a rapidly spreading vice, is about as casonable as to urge that honest people quitted is shameful and scandalous. The fould cease to gain money because there people of Memphis cannot understand the o many misers, swindlers and thieves." morality which does not hesitate to pay for

No Whipping-Post for Alabama. A communication in the Dadeville Demo rat, of the first instant, upon the subject of troducing the whipping-post, contains the following paragraph, which expresses the pith of the argument of the contributor. The whipping-post is the proper remedy to cure ar many complained of ills, why not adopt the piltery and ducking-stool as an auxiliary to core many hundreds of minor offenses tha ester upon the body politic like an eating cancer? Because Virginia, the mother of tem, and carried her people back on time et-rogade murch three hundred long years, is het any reason why Alabama should follow n the line of march? Although our peopl are not so much enlightened and developed spiritual power as to make them angels of ght, yet the most perfect laggard of all would regret very much to be forced back into the days of witches, ghosts, jack-with-the-lantern, haunted houses with ten thousand fiery devils, and made to travel from the slough of despond, over the same dark. dreary road back to the point which it took ten generations to reach.

All is Not Gold that Glitters. Detroit Free Press: "Gen'lem, if you see pusson rushin' roun' de world enveloped in a diamund pin an' an ulster, am dat any sign dat he pays taxes, rents a church pew an' brings his chil'en up in de way dey should go?" The Elder Toots heaved a deep wigh and Huckleberry Jones scratched his off leg just below the knee. "When a man takes up fo' seats in de kyar, pushes folks aroun' on de market, elbows around' de city hall an' gits de fust place at de stamp winow in de postoffice, am dat any sign dat when it came to de pull he'd give half a dol-lar's worth of wood ter keep an orphan asylum from freezin' to death? Doan you black folks git dust in yer eyes! Dar's a heap of sand an' sawdust in dis world dat passes for sugar to de man walkin' by, but when you come to de pinch de sugar ain't dar. De sawdust bulges up an' le sand creeps out, an' you am disp'inted an' disgusted. It's kinder hard to have to est cold turnip when | an end. you know dat de family next door am luxuriatin' on sweetcake and turkey, but if de turnip am paid for yer needn't fear for yer di-gestion. I expek dat de h'arafter am de biggest fing enny of us hev got to work fur, an I tole you, brudders, dat big seal-rings an' outside our own city. There is special reason | hensiveness, clearness of arrangement and | pants out twenty-two inches across de kull am nowhar 'longside of a kin' word an' an honest heart."

No Clue to the Public Printer's Rob-bery. Washington, January 5.—There are no of the acting of it, will depend on something ew developments in the government printew developments in the government printing office robbery. The detectives who are aged on the case say that they feel satised that the man who stole the money from safe, eight thousand four hundred dollars in all, left the city a short time afterward. The indications are that there were three men eagaged in the robbery. The detectives have unravelled cases that have been as mysterious as this, and it may be that they will

Cremation Again. It is worthy of notice that at the cremation | will convey to your readers a very clear idea | command the disposal of how a large amount of fieight should be shipped, the agent would be able to countract urjust, extortionate and dishonest charges by allowing it to go to those boats alone that would not fairly toward.

COMPROLLER HOMAS J. REATING, of reformation of the stage from within cannot to be passed upon the second time by a legistance of fairly toward the disposal of how a large amount of the stage from within cannot to be passed upon the second time by a legistance of fairly of stating that the presence of the clergy of the town at the presence of fairly of stating that the presence of the clergy of the town at the presence of fairly toward the whole of the clergy of the town at the sound as a public and solemn mark of the resonate which interest on stocks owned to the process which involved nothing that was contrary to the process of the sound to the stage from within cannot to the clergy of the town at the fail to watch the experiment with interest. In the agent would a sa public and deserve the sorious consideration of the stage from within cannot to whole of the clergy of the town at the process in the process of the solid time by a legistance of the clergy of the town at the process the distribution of the stage from within cannot to whole of the clergy of the town at the solid time by a legistance of the clergy of the town at the process the distribution of the stage from within cannot to whole of the clergy of the town at the process the distribution of the stage from within cannot to whole of the clergy of the town at the fail to watch the experiment with interest of the whole of the clergy of the town at the stage from within cannot to which the separate of the clergy of the town at the fail to watch the experiment within the process the distribution of the stage from within cannot to which the second, in stage of the town at the fail to watch the experiment with the process the distribution of the stage from within cannot to watch the commerciant was contracted in which to begin it. If

THE MOFFET REGISTER. Facts that are Worthy the Attention of the Legislature-Opinions of the

Alabama Press.

The Northport (Ala.) New Era, discussing me proposed Moffet register law, remarks: The bill, we believe, was introduced in our egislature by Hon, W. P. Howell, senator om Calhoun and Cleburn counties, and, so neets the approbation of every right-think ing man in the country. Thus far the bill seems to have made but little progress, but it is gratifying to know that the delay caused from any adverse opinion of the committee to whom it has been referred, bu owing to imperfections discovered in the Virginia bill, which are sought to be remedied before the final report is made. The estima-ed revenue that the State will derive from this source is between four and five hundred ractical solution of the difficulties that the gis, jr.?

The actual results of these two weeks of the second results of these two weeks of the second results of these two weeks of the second results of the second result egislature has labored under in meeting the lemands from that quarter, and at the same time, to some extent, relieve the burden of axation upon the necessities of lite at the all the law and the prophets of religious the expense of a traffic which, for the good of atricals. ciety, would be better suppressed alto While our school system is imperect, and susceptible of improvement in many spects, the great difficulty under which i as and still labors is the want of means to support a better one. A rare opportunity now presents itself to the legislature to show by its acts the interest it claims to feel in our decaying schoolhouses, our uneducated children, and worthy, but half-paid teachers. Let them adopt the Moffet register, with the asurance that they will have the support of, at least, a very large majority of the people whose interests they serve.

llowing observations: "We are sure that nch legislation as will reduce the number of ars, saloons and such like to the lowest posble notch would be in the interest humanity, both personally and pecuniarily and that opposite legislation would be agains humanity in every respect. Therefore, if the Moff-t register can be placed in the bars, and loons reduced to the minimum, well; but, if it must needs increase the number of these, away with it. We want none of it in old The Selma (Ala.) Times, we observe,

ecidedly in favor of the passage of the Mo fet bill. In referring to the auditor's report of Virginia and the statement that the net eccipts from the register in that State were one hundred and ten thousand dollars, i emphatically declares in favor of the passage lature of Alabama of the bill now efore that body.

"SAUL."

The Religious Drama now Being Produced in Roston-A Questionable Performance at the Best-Will It Pay to Continue It?

The Boston correspondent of the New York

Chrisian Union (Beecher's paper), writes under date of December 26th: I have never New York Herald: "Sir James Paget's noticed any department of dramatic criticism in the Christian Union, nor co I know that mense; his genius high; his impartiality unnestionable. And Sir James Paget speaks been seen in its columns. But the sensible colainly, thus: 'My study makes me as sure as view which it takes of the whole subject of the would venture to be on any such questional representations, its interest in ion, that there is not yet any evidence near-y sufficient to make it probable that a mod- what may be christian truth and duty thererate use of alcoholic drinks is generally, or to, and more especially the recent remarks even to many persons, injurious; and that growing out of the Edwin Booth correspond-there are sufficient reasons for believing that such moderate use is, on the whole, generally letter if they do not call for it. We have in beneficial.' Sir James supports his position by an argument drawn from the laws of heredity. If moderate drinking were a bad consecrated—Music hall, a religious drama. biblical one; strictly biblical in its sug-gestion, materials, treatment; a definite and ing the habitual drunteards, would certainly explicit attempt to delineate in dramatic now be noticeable. Yet, compared with the form and by spectacular means a great and heirs of thirty generations of abstainers, all impressive chapter of scripture history. The the world over, they will be found better men | title of the play is Saul, and the subject : in force of body and mind. A human being that portion of the Hebrew king's life which has as many bloods in his velas as he has follows his first interview with David. In its follows his first interview with David. In its neal ancestors. Blackstone, the jurist | present form the work is an adaptation by shows that in the twentieth degree every man Mr. Joseph Proctor, the well-known trage-has more than a million ancestors. What, diss, from the French of M. Alexander Soumet. The original composition was intended would be the condition of each of us, seeing more as a dramatic poem than as an acting that on each of us some measure of evil must drama, though as the former it is said to have come along such of the half million have been produced some time since by n company of priests in a Roman Catholic in-stitution in Liverpool, England. Mr. Proc-tor's version introduces some modifications of the French text, and adds the pleasant fea-ture of appropriate mass. The scripture narrative is carefully followed, though, of course, the lights and shadows are readjusted to some extent to facilitate leterpretation. The chief characters are "Sant," "Michal," "Jonathan," "David," the "Witch of Endor," who appears under the name of "Pythology of Nov." thonissa," and "Abimelech, priest of Noe "Gointh of Gath" also comes in for a single scene, the Philistine being represented by a veritable giant, a man over eight feet high Democrat says the article emanated from a mind well stored with legal lore, combined with many years of experience: "If the very creditable under the circumstances has been given to scenery and costume; and an excellent orchestra supports the choruses.

> s in three acts and six tableaux, and a fair [a trifle. "The opening scene represents 'Saul's' tent and the encampment of the I-raelites, with # 130,965, less \$2,818 454, or \$2 312.511. the appearance of 'Pythonissa,' and after-ward 'Abimelech,' and 'David,' who comes as a shepherd. The conflict between 'David' as a shepherd. The conflict between 'David' the bond court, and were admitted by the and 'Goliath' and the death of the giant' State to be valid. This was outside of the bring the first portion of the act to a conclu- general test cases." on, the second portion being madeup of the ejoicings of the people over 'David's' tri-imph. In act second 'Saul' first appears, appears but is interrupted by 'Pythonissa,' minute; while the machine prints with all who imparts the information that 'David' is the abhorred nancper of his thone, and raises st the king's command the apparition of 'Samuel.' In the closing part of the act the incidents crowd upon each other more close-incidents crowd upon each other more close-incidents. scing, when the distracted king appears but, in view of the failure of the various and commands the avrest of 'Abimelech' and genious type tetting machines heretokare in 'David.' Hostile bands approach, and as vented to work practically, there will be 'Jonathan' and 'David' are about to rush some doubt felt in regard to the ability of the into battle they change helimets. The king present one to do away with the printers' seeks to kill 'David,' and mistaking 'Jana' act.'' than' for the rival of his torone, his murder-ous hand falls upon the latter. 'Pythonissa' appears to exult over her work, and 'Saul,'

The crowning of 'David' brings the drama to It will not be claimed, probably, that any very remarkable acting is does in the pre-sentation of this play, though a good deal of established and well recognized theatrical vigor than in New England. All the builtslent appears among the performers. Mrs. Waller personates the "Witch of Endor," Mr. Proctor himself, "Saul," and his daughter, a winning young lady, "Michal." There is enough, of course, in the novelty of the subject to interest the not over-sated audiences who will be attracted to witness it. The interest of such a play, and the success WHAT DO THE PAPERS THINK OF 11?

The Advertiser, which stands for intel-ctual and cultivated Boston, is rather cool, "It has sustained dignity and emoothness of diction without extraordinary "There are many dramatic situelevation. ations, and these are treated generally with propriety rather than force." "Not much of propriety rather than force. Not much of the play is likely to impress the spectator profoundly; it may please and satisfy many persons, but few will be moved by it, and not a few will find it stupid." The Journal, was very greatly to their credit.

THESE REPORTS

the attempt, the Music hall is that spot There are thousands of people who will at tend theatrical performances in a "museum" who will not allow themse, ves to go inside o "theater." There must be hundaeds t whom a "museum" is a forbidden place of amusement who would venture, however, to e a play of this kind in a "music hall.

BUT Can such a play, fashioned out of such materials, be made artistically effective and ttractive? The miracle play, which is im essive in the hands of the persants of Ober Ammergau, would have been a melanchol mongh spectacle on the boards of a London meert hall. Can such a history as that o al which has been treated with such power by Handel in oratorio, be presented congru sly and acceptably in scene and action? (2), Given such a play, so performed, with the people who eschew the ordinary theatri cal performance go to see it? Will their scruples succumb? Will Dr. Gordon take seats for himself and his family next week thousand dollars per annum, which, being before Mr. Proctor's stage in the Music hall? added to the school fund, would amount to a Asd Alpheus Hardy? And Russell Star-

Saul will furnish some answers to these two questions, and on them, for substance, hang

A Woman Unsexing Herself. One of the literary celebrities of France has been getting into trouble again-Mme. Quivogne, who writes under the pseudonyn "Marc de Montifaut." She is a pre well-dressed, clever woman, married and mother, and in her domestic relations irre proachable. But regularly as she brings on a book she is cited before the courts for 'out-raging public decency,' fined and impris-oned. Her last book, "Mme. Ducroisy"—the stry of a bourgeoise of aristocratic sentiments, who takes recourse in adultary to vent The Banger (Ala) Broad-Axe makes the her contempt for her smug husband, and remadhouse-has cost her one hundred dollars has and four months imprisonment, her pub her being punished with a like fine, and releved to destroy the edition. The court ound outrageous passages on almost every ngs, and the report of its judgment indi-ates that the book belongs to a class of litreture that it would be using tame language call "red-hot." Le Gaulois says that the ook would make a horse blush; and Le Fiparo that its obscenity is deliberate, sought or and coarse. Result—there will be an im ense demand for the book, which will, like ts predecessors, be reprinted in Belgium; and Muss. Quivogne will employ her four norths in prison in writing another one.

> A North Carolina Tiger Killed. Wilmington (N. C.) Sun, 4th: "A gen-deman from the lower portion of Pender nety, who was in the city yesterday, telli us about two colored men killing a curious-locking animal on his plantation New Year's day. The negroes, who are farm hands of our informant, and named John Pauls and ale Pickett, took his pack of hounds and tarted out on a fex bunt. About dinne ime the backing of the dogs in a thick forest attracted the negroes' attention, and making ear way into the woods they found all th ogs equatting around a tree and barking a queer-looking animal that was quartered wong the topmost branches. The darkies et to work catting down the tree, but before sey had half finished the varmint attempts leap to an acjoining tree and fell to the nsued, but the dogs were finally victorious cilling the animal after receiving many bloody wounds among themselves. animal, in appearance, resembled a young tiger, and our Pender friend cays that al who have seen it pronounce it to be of the genuine tiger species.

A Pertous Cat Attacks a Lady. Wilmington (N. C.) Sun, January 4th: Yesterday morning as two ladies were preatting with a large cat at her feet. Suddenly, without warning, the animal seized one of the legs of the lady and tore the fi sh with its teeth and claws. B fore the younger lady, her daughter, could come to her assistance the wounds it flicted by the cat were many and painful. The young lady took hold of the little emaged beast and pulled it quickly away. The cat, inforcated to tigerish anger, then sprang at her, its tail swollen as large as a human arm, and scratched her, besides badly tearing her dress. A neighboring gen-tleman was appealed to for help, and by the aid of the young lady's tight grip on the cat's neck and a domb-bell in the hands of the gentleman, the furnous creature was killed. A physician was called to dress the wounds of entleman, the furious creature was killed.
I physician was called to dress the wounds of he eiter lady, who is afflected with erysipelas as the lacorated lunch, and whose safety is a God knows, I had no desire to go upon the n the lacerated limb, and whose safety is a matter of anxiety."

South Carolina's Debt. Charleston News and Courier: "The bond ourt of this State, in the decision just renbred, did not declare any State bonds whatver to be valid. On the contrary, they con-irm the report of the bond commission. This ommission reported that \$1,577,835 of bonds and stock issued under the consolidation act vers valid, and that \$2,818,454 were invalid is having been issued in exchange for invalid bonds, coupons and certificates of stock. But this \$2,818,454 is only invalid, bond by bond, to the extent of the invalid vouchers that each bond represents, the percentage of invalidity ranging down from one hundred to dea of the course of it is given in this extract and the whole recognized public debt of South from one of the daily papers: total issue of consolidation securities-\$5, this amount should be added \$150,000 asolidation securities which came before

Room for Doubt. St. Paul Pioneer Press: "Mr. Charles T. and his suff-rings under the curse, with his Moore, of West Virginia, and Mr. O. Mayen-restoration by 'David' through the agency of thaler, of Baltimore, have patented a new song, make up the chief incidents, with type-setting or rather stereotyping machine, 'Saul's' promise that 'Michal' shall be his by which it is claimed the entire composition Moore, of West Virginia, and Mr. O. Mayenbride. Act third opens with a tender scene on a newspaper can be done in a small-sized between 'David' and 'Michal,' which is rendered more especially effective by some very a sewing machine. An expert operator, it is pleasing music written by Mr. Leavitt. 'Saul' said, will print from fifty to seventy words a y. The marriage ceremonials of 'David' and all this can be done by the machine, of course Michal' are in progress amid general retit will revolutionize the art of type + 11 mg;

Bulldezing in Massachusetts. St. Louis Post, January 21: "Too New York World deserves credit for furnishing through an intelligent correspondent, the ear and ample evidence of what everybe bready knew-that the power and influence of the employer over the employed is nodozing charged against the south is mere child's play compared with the way it is oracticed in old Massachusetts over the poor actory-hands. "Intimidation" is reduced to fine art. We need hardly say in what utler contempt we hold Mr. Ben Butler, and how a recent defeat seemed to us to be demanded by the interest and henor of Massach Yet there seems to be no doubt whatever that his defeat was brought about by ie most systematic and unscrupulous intin ion of the poor workingmen, who were old by their masters that they had to choose

between Butler and-bread. Singular Phenomena, New York Times: "The officers of the French steamer Labrador speak of the curious appearance of the sea several times during the voyage, it being covered with a light for which exactly resembled rising steam. On Coristmas day, when about twelve hundred miles from the Sicilly islands, a large number of land-birds flew on the steamer. as soon as they lit on the rigging. Twelve dent Grant would have been very happy to starlings and two curlews were cap-

A Free Canal. New York Tribune: "The legislature of toward making the canals of the State free in PREDICTIONS

That Have and Have Not Ecca Verifled-Prot. Knapp, Colonel W. A. Baker, or England, and Nostradamus upon the Fature.

East Florida Banner: "The fact that so many fish are dying off the coast of Florida sells to mind the awful prediction of Prof. Keapp. From the juxtaposition of certain lanets to our earth he predicts that one-hal man and all kinds of animals, and even vegetable into, will perish before or during the year 1880. In a lecture, delivered several ars ago, he said that this destruction would nmence by the fishes of the sea dying, and estilence and famine occurring in more othern latitudes. The famine in China and the yellow-fever scourge in the south, and now the fearful pestilence among the ishes in couthern waters, are so many steps in fulfillment of Prof. Knapp's prophecies." PER CONTRA. Colonel W. A. Baker, of the English

eptember, the failure of his prediction that en Christ would descend (precisely at sunet) upon the Mount of Olives. This predic on was made thirteen years ago, and was a good deal "out" in its details, for to accom-plish it Austria should have devoured Greece nd Germany in 1866, and Russia seized Tury in 1869-70; the czar should have been in in battle in Palestine June 3, 1872, and 10, 1875, and the capture of Paris for the fourth of September last. Talking of predictions, a French author, M. Emile Guillaulin, has been translating the tamous Centuould events with a good deal of misplaced agenuity. L'Abbe Torne-Chavigny, who wenty-three years ago printed a remarkable book on the subject, thereupon rebukes him for trifling, and re-expounds his theory that every line of French history from 1555 to 1739 is to be found in the mystic verses of the old seer. In 1858 the abbe applied to Napoleon III the verses about "capture of the great nephew—nephew and son driven away—nephew at London," predictions that not consent that the government shall use it unless it also abuse it. In 1858 the abbe applied to came true in 1870, and in 1870 he published an oad declaration about MacMahon being the "chief Anglais" of Nostradamus, adding, Death of Victor Emmanuel-this event wi recede the death of Pius IX; Leo XIII, of bruary, first succe-or of Pius IX, during the lifetime of Henry V; Muscovy will diminish Turkey, which she would wish to drive

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annoys me beyond measure. What I did in that case I did out of gratitude to Mrs. Til-

testimony I gave was true in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

was through my desire to serve my frien

that I got mixed up in the case, though the

strong 'points' of my testimony were elicited

witness-stand and detail, no matter how true they were, but I testified under the instruc-

ons of the lawyers, who told me that the

the of the case depended upon my telling all I knew. They were old, ruspected citigens, as well as lawyers, fathers of families, and I was but a girl of sixteen. Mind, I am not apologizing for what I did. All that I told was true, and I would testify

to the same facts to morrow if necessity required; but what I wish to say is that if any feel inclined to blame me they

from me through information given her law-

on, who was almost a mother to me, and the

Cincinnati Enquirer: A representative f the Enquirer met Miss Bessie Turner yes-erday at the Walnut street bouse, and had like that in Rome. very pleasant chat with her. He found the lady very bright, intelligent and viva-The Late Prof. Henry. omeliness, and to beauty. She is rather be law the medium size of women, with large, drous eyes, and prominent features gener-In conversation she is modest and un ected, yet as sharp as chain lightning, her one can readily anderstand how it was that she was able to bafile the cunningest ather stultify herself. After the usual greetings of the day had been passed, our reporter learn from her lips the reasons that induced her to adopt the stage as her profession. Miss to be interviewed on the subject, though was half evident that she felt inclined to wish her persecutor in Kumtschatka. "Well, to quence of my being mixed up with the great est scandal case of modern times, seem to re gard me as a sort of carrovity, and this fa

may know that I was not a swift witness, and only yielded my judgment to that of wise and honorable men. After the trial I found myself notorious, and I was sought after eagerly by managers who desired me to enter the lecture-field and turn my notoriety into money. I was offered four thousand dollars by one gentleman, merely to accompany Olive Logan and show myself on the stage for twenty-six evenings. I would not have had electure, but merely to read a little poem, give a recitation or something of that kind Not wishing to thrust myself on the public. refused to accept this and many other equally advantageous offers, though I do not know te, as both Mr. Beecher and Mr. Tilton have made the most out of their connection with the case by lecturing ever since. After the trial was over I found myself thrown on my own resources for my maintenance. I had been teaching music in a certain school, but after giving my testinony I was dismissed from that position, and then I began to took around to see what I could do. I had been told by many that the manner in which I had given my estimony evinced that I possessed dramati alent, and I thought best to devote myself to the stage. In doing so I determined to begin at the foot of the ladder, and to learn my art thoroughly, knowing that if I pos-sessed talent and adaptability for the proesion, that i should soon rise in 11, while i I began by 'starring,' after the novelty of seeing me had worn off, I would sink out of sight. I precured a position in A Celebrated Case company, and made my debut as 'Annette,' in Newark, under the name of Beth Avery, that being my mother's maiden name, and also my middle name. My full name is Edzabeth Avery Torner, Mr. Til-ton called me begsie to distinguish me from is wife, whose name is Elizabeth. I believe was fairly successful in my debut, and I in end to work myself up in the dramatic rofession, if hard work, study and the desire improve will enable me to do so." The closed the interview. List night at the Grand operahouse, a great number of ladies Turner. The role requires her to be in at

The Berlin Mission. If the President has made up his mind to hom he will effor the vacant Berlin mission he has so tar successfully kept the name to himself; but there is reason to believe that is choice will be made from a list includin the following names: George William Curtis, Andrew D. White, president of Cornell uni-Andrew D. White, president of Cornell university; Rev. Dr. Joseph P. Thompson, formerly of the New York tabernacle, but for some years resident in Berlin; Wayne M'Vengh, of Pennsylvania; William Walter Phelps, of New Jersey, and C. C. Bryan, of Illinois, lately commissioner of the District of Colombia. The remaind Mr. Garage. of Columbia. The name of Mr. George W. Childs has been connected with the place he has always done, it being very well known that if he had been destrous of a place Presi-

he rise of the curtain, but as the name o

the character she represents is not promi

nently mentioned, a great many were unable

to decide which of the many ladies of the company on the slape was she,

The Chinese Question. Chicago Tribune: "The Chinese question rapidly assuming a national importance The time is not far distant when the general government will be required to take some definite action, and it is said that there has 1879, as Anditor Schuyler suggests in his report, has it in his power to take the first step toward making the canals of the State free in the new Chinese embassy. The growth of

Mrs. Senstor Bruce (Colored). Chicago Tribune: "Mrs. Senator Bruce is

She is said to be a handsome woman, well-educated, highly accomplished, and all that, with only a slight dash of African blood in her veins. Her husband is no longer a vassal but a peer, and one of the senators from a sovereign State. Many of the senators from n sovereign State. Many of the fashionable gentlemen called upon her on New Year's day, while others ignored her. The corre-spondent of the Boston Journal says that she wore a magnificent black velvet dress made for her by Worth during her recent visit to Paris, and handsome diamonds.' The Hart-ford Times correspondent says: 'It has been tried and decided by society-and the thing called society in Washington always toadies to wealth or official position, whether right or wrong—that Mrs. Bruce is just as good to all on or to receive calls from as if she was painted up as white or as handsome as any ther senator's wife. Shouldy society, and most of it here is shouldy, accepts the verdict od governs itself accordingly. As a result les. Bence has already received calls from the wives of some of the jadges of the au were court, of many senators, representatives, and others holding official positions."

Luid to Rest. New York Times: "Our readers will see our Washington dispatches this morning a brood of financial bills has been laid to rest for the present by the unexpected success of resumption. The list of propositions before the banking and currency committee which Mr. Buckner, of Missouri, is the chairman, is very formidable. Most of them apoleon III become supreme monarch. The are with reference to silver, and indicate arrection of the just was set for December | what line will be taken by the currency tink-1874: the restoration of the Jows for March | ers, if they should muster courage to move The currency committee itself is bad y de moralized. Although there are only sever opponents and only four friends of soun oney on the committee, it is hardly possi ble that more than two of the former could be got to agree on any proposition. It is, perhaps, too much to be expected that the committee should unite on Mr. Hewitt's bil making gold and silver interchangeab though that bill would satisfy every legiti-mate demand for silver. Opposition to i unless it also abuse it.

Flooding Sahars.

M. de Lesseps has just returned from a rip to Tunes, whither he went to investigate he possibility and the advisability of letting ne waters of the Mediterragean into the Desert of Sahara, so as to covert a great portion of that desolate expanse into an inlan sea. M. de Lesseps says that the Arab chieftains of the south of the Aures keep up the tradition of there having existed in former times a sea in that neighborhood from five to six hundred leagues in circumference. He also had been enabled to explode the idea that the formation of a new lake would do away with the cases, for he has discovered that these are all from fifteen to forty metres above the level of the sea, whereas the desert itself isibelow that level. Traces of Roman civilization has been found in the desers, and among them the remains of an amphitheater

WASHINGTON, January 5 .- The board of regents of the Smithsonian institute on the l-venth of May last passed a resolution re questing the executive committee to make arrangements for a public commemoration in honor of the late Prof. Henry, secretary of he institution, of such character and at such time and place as they might determine. The executive committee of the board of regents

tion was passed by congress on the tenth of December to the effect that the senators and till an object of interest in Washington. representatives will take part in the services, which will be held in the hall of the hou e of representatives on Thursday, the sixteenth

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